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**NONPROVISIONAL PATENT
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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR ACCORDING PREFERRED TRANSPORT
BASED ON NODE IDENTIFICATION

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- ☒ 66 pages of Specification/Claims 1/Abstract are attached.
☒ Formal drawings (Fig(s). 1-28; 34 sheet(s)) is/are attached.
☐ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
☐ An assignment of the invention to _____ is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
☐ An Information Disclosure Statement is attached, along with Form PTO-1449, and _____ reference(s).
☒ This application is entitled to Small Entity Status.
☐ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
☒ Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence --This nonprovisional application claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Applications No. 60/460,045, filed April 4, 2003 and 60/460,046 filed April 4, 2003. --
☐ Priority of foreign application No. _____ filed _____ in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
☐ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

			SMALL ENTITY		OR	LARGE ENTITY	
FOR:	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE		RATE	FEE
BASIC FEE				\$ 375	OR		\$ 750
TOTAL CLAIMS	1 - 20	= 0	x 9 =	\$	OR	x 18	\$
INDEP CLAIMS	1- 3	= 0	x 42 =	\$	OR	x 84	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			+140 =	\$	OR	+280	\$
			TOTAL	\$ 375	OR	TOTAL	\$

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$375.00 for the filing fee is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300. However, this application is entitled to small entity status. DO NOT charge large entity fees to our Deposit Account.

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